No. 2012/96

Friday, 18 May 2012

Journal

of the United Nations

Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Friday, 18 May 2012

Security Council

12 noon . . . . . 6774th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Guinea-Bissau

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

High-level thematic debate on the "State of the world economy and finance in 2012"[1]

Round table 3: "Limiting commodity price fluctuations, increasing production, trade and investment"

9 a.m. . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Co-Chairs:

H.E. Mr. Khalid bin Muhammad al-Attiyah, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Qatar

H.E. Ms. Maria Kiwanuka, Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development of Uganda

H.E. Mr. Luc Oyoubi, Minister of the Economy, Employment and Sustainable Development of Gabon

(continued on page 2)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 May 2012, containing the concept paper and the programme, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For the latest programme, please *click here*.

The *Journal* has 3944 followers on Twitter. Join them and be the first to be notified once the next issue is available! www.twitter.com/Journal_UN_ONU

There are 3933 subscribers to the *Journal*. Take advantage of the new e-subscription and receive the Journal early in the morning! www.undocs.org

There are 2226 users who "like" the *Journal* on Facebook. Look for our page! Journal of the United Nations

Scan the QR (Quick Response) Code at the top right-hand corner to download today's *Journal*.

12-32989

Think Green!

Please recycle

Round table 4: "Increasing stability, predictability and transparency in the financial sector"

9 a.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Chair:
H.E. Mr. Nicolas Nahas, Minister of Economy and Trade of Lebanon

Closing

11.45 a.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal thematic debate on "The Road to Rio+20 and beyond" will be held on Tuesday, 22 May 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 May 2012, was sent to all permanent representative and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal high-level meeting on "The role of Member States in mediation" will be held on Wednesday, 23 May 2012. The programme and concept note of the meeting are contained in the letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 14 May 2012, sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 8 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Round tables

All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to participate in the round tables are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org)) or by fax (1 (212) 963-5305), indicating the name and level of the participant and the preferred round table.

Inscription, maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis, will be open on Monday, 21 May 2012. Statements in the round tables should *not exceed three minutes*. Any inquiry should be directed to Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816).

The deadline for inscription by United Nations system entities and other accredited intergovernmental organizations to the round tables has expired. For inquiries in this regard, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8497).

Accreditation of national security personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for national security personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012, onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10–11 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations:

Agenda item 154 (Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (A/66/609, A/66/711 and A/66/718/Add.8))

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 148 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad (A/66/646 and A/66/718/Add.2));

Agenda item 155 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (A/66/560 and A/66/718/Add.3));

Agenda item 156 (Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (A/66/569, A/66/718/Add.1 and A/66/718/Add.1/Corr.1); and

Agenda item 162 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (A/66/608 and A/66/718/Add.5))

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Informal briefings:

Enterprise resource planning (ERP)/Umoja (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management and Mr. Ernesto Baca, Interim Director, Umoja); and Capital master plan (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management, and Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director, Capital Master Plan)

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Closed peacekeeping missions (A/66/665, A/66/713 and A/66/713/Corr.1))

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the informal briefings of the Committee.

Security Council

Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. World Food Programme
2. Executive meeting

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group VI (Security Interests)
Twenty-first session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its eleventh session (E/C.19/2012/L.2, E/C.19/2012/L.3, E/C.19/2012/L.4, E/C.19/2012/L.5, E/C.19/2012/L.6, E/C.19/2012/L.7, E/C.19/2012/L.8, E/C.19/2012/L.9 and E/C.19/2012/L.10) . . . . . [11]

Closing of the session

[For background and other related documents of the eleventh session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/indigenous>. Please *click here* to consult the list of side events scheduled to be held during the session.]

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee
Informal consultations

The Chair of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with the regional groups on the participation of civil society in the work of the Committee, *today*, 18 May 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB) (with the Asia-Pacific Group); and from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB) (with the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States). All interested delegations are encouraged to attend.

Other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Friday, 18 May 2012

UNITAR/USIP Course on "Governance — Paths to democratic institution building in transition environments" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United States Institute of Peace (USIP))

From 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1.15 to 4 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Turkey (821 United Nations Plaza, 8th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; fax 1 (212) 963-9686).]

Briefing on "The latest developments on the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Transformative Agenda" (by the Director of Emergency Programmes, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), and the Director of Corporate Programmes, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please call Ms. Corazon dela Pena, OCHA (e-mail penac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2998).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Friday, 18 May 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 21 May 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

10 a.m. . . . . 109th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Sustainable development: draft decision (A/66/L.44) . . . . . [19]

Main Committees

First Committee

Informal consultations

The Chair of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with the regional groups on the participation of civil society in the work of the Committee, as indicated below. All interested delegations are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, 24 May 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB) (with the Group of Western European and Other States); and from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB) (with the Group of Eastern European States); and

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB) (with the Group of African States).

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 21 May 2012, at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)

Twenty-fifth session

Working Group III will hold its twenty-fifth session from Monday, 21, to Friday, 25 May 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The first meeting will take place on Monday, 21 May, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Working Group will adopt its report on the session on Friday, 25 May.

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Seventeenth session

The seventeenth session of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation will be held from Tuesday, 22, to Friday, 25 May 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents SSC/17/L.2 and SSC/17/L.3.

The list of speakers for the general debate is now open and will be closed on Tuesday, 22 May 2012, at 6 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers, as well as those which have not yet transmitted the list of their delegates to the session, are kindly requested to convey the information, *as soon as possible*, to the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation (e-mail southsouth@undp.org).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C (A/RES/54/237 A-C), in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly no later than *today*, 18 May 2012. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B (A/RES/57/4 B), as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 (A/RES/64/248). Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Executive Board of UN-Women, as follows: Tuesday, 22 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB), on the draft decision on the evaluation function, 2011; and Wednesday, 23 May, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB), on the draft decision on the regional architecture review.

Annual session of 2012

The annual session of 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 29, to Thursday, 31 May 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB), and on Friday, 1 June, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.3.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), and requests to be inscribed on the list of speakers, to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 22 May 2012*. To consult the documentation for the session, please *click here*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-second Meeting

The Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters, from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 June 2012. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 4 June, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.69.

In connection with item 9 of the provisional agenda (Election of 21 members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf), States parties are reminded that the election will take place during the Meeting. With regard to the composition of delegations, States parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials, *no later than Thursday, 31 May 2012*, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-450). Credentials should be submitted in due form as required by rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Meeting of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

Furthermore, in relation with item 10 of the provisional agenda (Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea), delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division and provide a copy of their statement (e-mail ahreum.lee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2872) (copies for distribution at the meeting are to be provided by the delegation).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Liberia configuration

An informal meeting of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 24 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

The 2012 resumed session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from Monday, 21, to Wednesday, 30 May 2012, in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda with annotations is contained in document E/C.2/2012/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to update the composition of their delegations, and new observers wishing to attend the resumed session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (c/o Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; room IN-0608B; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online paperless committee system <http://csonet.org/ngocommittee>, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Members may also wish to take advantage of the PaperSmart e-services offered by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).

United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination

High-level Committee on Management
Informal briefing

The Vice-Chair of the High-level Committee on Management (HLCM) of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) will hold an informal briefing on "Progress in the work of HLCM on efficiency, harmonization and simplification of business practices" on Monday, 21 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session informal briefings

A pre-session informal briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board will be held on Monday, 21 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). An informal briefing on the thematic discussion on Focus Area 5 of the medium-term strategic plan (Policy advocacy and partnerships for children's rights) will also be held in the same context.

Annual session

The 2012 annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 5, to Friday, 8 June 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional

annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/9.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the following site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_61796.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; or fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 25 May 2012*. In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Monday, 21 May 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB): UNDP programming arrangements;

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB): from 10 to 11.30 a.m.: Evaluation of UNDP partnerships with global funds and philanthropic foundations and management responses; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Evaluation of UNDP contribution to strengthening electoral systems and processes and management response;

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, at the FF-Building, LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF informal consultation on cost recovery;

Thursday, 31 May 2012; from 3 to 4.30 p.m., at the FF-Building, LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS informal consultation on disclosure; and

Monday, 4 June 2012, from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB): Matters to be taken at its 2012 annual session; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Draft decisions to be considered at the annual session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Crystallography" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

Monday, 21 May 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Group of Friends of United against Human Trafficking (at the expert level)

Monday, 21 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Eastern European Group (informal meeting of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court)

Tuesday, 22 May 2012, from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Wednesday, 23 May 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

Wednesday, 23 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

High-level meeting on "Sustainable cities: Rio+20 and beyond" (organized by the Group of Friends for Sustainable Cities, in collaboration with the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

Monday, 21 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of United Nations agencies, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Tham Borg Tsien, Permanent Mission of Singapore (e-mail tham_borg_tsien@mfa.gov.sg; tel. 1 (212) 826-0840); or Mr. Gustav Gidenstam, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail gustav.gidenstam@foreign.ministry.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2505).]

Panel discussion on "Impact of public-private partnerships in education: An evidence-based approach" (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the IDP Foundation)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact to Ms. Janae Bushman, UNESCO New York Office (e-mail ej.bushman@unesco.org).]

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers (General Assembly resolution 57/129 (A/RES/57/129)) (organized by the Office of Military Affairs, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO))

Wreath-laying ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 9.15 to 9.30 a.m., in the Visitors' Lobby, General Assembly Building.

Dag Hammarskjöld medal ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Medal parade

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 2 to 4.30 p.m., on the plaza between the General Assembly and the North Lawn Buildings.

[All are invited to attend these events. For further information, please contact Col. Carlos Borja, DPKO (e-mail borjac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3849); or Col. Fernando Tomé, DPKO (e-mail tomef@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3951).]

Arria Formula meeting of the Security Council on "The peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution: Mediation, judicial settlement and justice" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of international organizations and non-governmental organizations, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Elchin Huseynli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail elchin.n.h@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6261).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/240, the fifteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 21, to Friday, 25 May 2012, in Conference Room XIX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2012/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Head, Science, Technology and ICT Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD, Room E.7077, Geneva (e-mail mongi.hamdi@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-5069; fax 011-41-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, please *click here* to review the documentation and other background information.

Inquiries on the fifteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to Mr. Otto Gustafik, Secretary of the Commission (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2012
United Nations Office at Geneva

The 2012 annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will take place from Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 June 2012, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session will be issued in document DP/2012/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org); fax 1 (212) 906-5634. Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, *no later than Friday, 15 June 2012*.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

News resources for the United Nations community (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 22 May 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 22 May 2012;

Thursday, 24 May 2012;

Tuesday, 26 June 2012; and

Thursday, 28 June 2012.

Social Networking 101: A user guide to the United Nations Library's social media tools (10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 24 May 2012; and

Tuesday, 5 June 2012.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 4 to 5 p.m.)

Monday, 4 June 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 6 June 2012 (*English*);

Thursday, 21 June 2012 (*French*); and

Tuesday, 19 June 2012 (*Spanish*).

Advanced researching using non-UN Databases (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 7 June 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Friday, 8 June 2012 (*Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 12 June 2012 (*English*)

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 13 June 2012.

United Nations Info Quest (UN-I-QUE) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 20 June 2012.

Introduction to E-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012.

Economic and Social Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 27 June 2012 (*English*);

Thursday, 28 June 2012 (*Spanish*); and

Friday, 29 June 2012 (*French*).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly *(reminder)*

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word

format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

To be received by Thursday, 31 May 2012:

Resolution 66/24, para. 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security" (A/RES/66/24), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/21-2012/IT dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/25, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East" (A/RES/66/25), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/03-2012/NWFZME dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/46, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*" (A/RES/66/46), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/02-2012/ICJ dated 10 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/31, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control" (A/RES/66/31), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/23-2012/EN dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/32, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation" A/RES/66/32), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/22-2012/ML dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/38, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context" (A/RES/66/38), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/07/2012 dated 15 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/50, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" A/RES/66/50), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/04-2012/WMDT dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/63, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" (A/RES/66/63), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/08-2012/SSCMR dated 14 February 2012 refers); and

Resolution 65/77, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" (A/RES/65/77), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/27-2012/DNP dated 27 February 2012 refers).

To be received by Friday, 1 June 2012:

Resolution 65/55, paras. 2, 3 and 7, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium" (A/RES/65/55), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/19-2012/ADU dated 7 March 2012 refers).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to*

a meeting. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 17 May 2012

Security Council

6773rd meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of South Sudan and the Sudan, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item

without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2012/327, submitted by the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2012/327) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2012/327) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2047 (2012).

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

14th meeting

Draft agenda for the twelfth session of the Permanent Forum . . . . . [10]

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: San Carlos Apache Tribe; Organismo Naleb; New Future Foundation; and Consejo Indio de Sudamérica.

Human rights . . . . . [4]

(a) Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

(b) Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Koani Foundation; Yamasi People; Consejo Nacional de Ayllus y Markas del Qullasuyu Conamaq; Adivasi Vijaya Samajic Sanstha, Indian Social Institute; Chotanagpur Rising Association; Comunidad Integradora del Saber Andino; Centro de Educación en Derechos Humanos Ngobe-Bugle; Asociación de Descendientes de la Nación Charrúa (Uruguay); Ainu association of Hokkaido; First Lady's Save Our Youths Campaign; Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee; Association pour l'intégration et le développement durable au Burundi; Comisión de Juristas Indígenas en la República Argentina; and Owe Aku.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Cocoa Agreement, 2010. Geneva, 25 June 2010

Approval: Côte d'Ivoire (16 May 2012)[1]

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances. Vienna, 20 December 1988

Notifications under articles 6, 7 (8) and 17 (7): Argentina (16 May 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Notifications under articles 16 (5) and 18 (13) and (14): Argentina (16 May 2012)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Acceptance of amendments to Annexes A and C of the Convention: Republic of Moldova (16 May 2012)[1]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Accession: Uzbekistan (15 May 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Food Assistance Convention
London, 25 April 2012

Opening for signature

The Food Assistance Convention was adopted on 25 April 2012 at London.

In accordance with its article 12, the "Convention shall be open for signature by Argentina, Australia, the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, Canada, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the European Union, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, Hungary, Ireland, the Italian Republic, Japan, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 11 June 2012 until 31 December 2012".

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be distributed as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Convention are posted on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/signature/2012/CTC_XIX-48.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if the States and the international organization to which the Convention is open for signature and wishing to sign could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* accessible on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States:
Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Than Swe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. Csaba Körösi

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guyana
H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Paul Seger

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Web sites

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management
<www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/>

Presidency of the General Assembly
<www.un.org/ga/president>

General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
<www.un.org/depts/dhl/>

International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

United Nations Press Releases
<www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp>

United Nations Webcast
<www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html>

Yearbook of the United Nations
<http://unyearbook.un.org>

UN Chronicle
<www.un.org/chronicle>

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 17 May 2012

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations <http://documents.un.org> in the electronic version of the present Journal.

e-subscription <www.undocs.org>

Think Green! — Please consider the number of pages before printing.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-sixth session
A/66/354/Add.7*	Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *15 pages*
A/66/795	Item 45 — Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) — Letter dated 8 May 2012 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
A/66/802	Item 115 (h) — Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights — Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/66/803–S/2012/316	Item 34 — Prevention of armed conflict — Letter dated 11 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/RES/66/255	Item 123 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/RES/66/256	Item 123 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — The United Nations in global governance [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2012/171*	Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *18 pages*
S/2012/304	Identical letters dated 10 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2012/310	Letter dated 10 May 2012 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*
A/66/803–S/2012/316	Letter dated 11 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2012/326	Letter dated 15 May 2012 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/Agenda/6772	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Substantive session of 2012

E/2012/100 Item 1 of the provisional agenda — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Annotated provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *23 pages*

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

E/C.19/2012/L.5 Item 7 — Half-day discussion on the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples — Draft recommendations of the Permanent Forum for the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

E/C.19/2012/L.7 Draft report [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Annual session of 2012

UNW/2012/5 Item 4 of the provisional agenda — Report on the regional architecture review — Regional architecture [A C E F R S] — *13 pages*

UNW/2012/8* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Thirty-sixth session

CEDAW/C/CUB/CO/6 Concluding comments of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women: Cuba [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Annual session 2012

DP/2012/7/Add.1 Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Annual report of the Administrator — Report of UNDP on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in 2011 [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*

DP/2012/14 Item 13 of the provisional agenda — Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS Ethics Offices — UNDP: activities for 2011 — Report of the Ethics Office [A C E F R S] — *19 pages*

DP/DCP/CRI/2	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Country programmes and related matters — UNDP — Draft country programme document for Costa Rica, 2013-2017 [E F S (only)] — *16 pages*
DP/DCP/JOR/2	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Country programmes and related matters — Draft country programme document for Jordan, 2013-2017 [E F S (only)] — *9 pages*
DP/DCP/MYS/2	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Country programmes and related matters — Draft country programme document for Malaysia, 2013-2015 [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
DP/FPA/DCP/LKA/8	Item 10 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Country programmes and related matters — Draft country programme document for Sri Lanka [E F S (only)] — *15 pages*

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Sylvie Deschênes (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-6776; room IN-0908, 300 East 42nd Street).

Office opens at 3 p.m.

Published at Headquarters, New York, by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.